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Attorney Docket No. 25523

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Yair ASSAF

Serial No. 10/601,312

Group Art Unit: 3763

Filed: June 23, 2003

Examiner: Manual Mendez

For: **METHOD FOR TREATING FALSE ANEURYSM AND A NEEDLE FOR USE IN SUCH A METHOD**

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter; and
- (2) Response to Office Communication.

The Commissioner is hereby specifically authorized to charge any required fee, or credit any overpayment, in connection with this matter to deposit Account No. 14-0112.

Respectfully submitted,

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

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This is in response to the Office Communication dated March 24, 2005. The one month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on April 24, 2005.

**SUMMARY OF OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

The Examiner has requested that Applicants indicate whether their election of Group I (claims 1-22) in their Response to Restriction Requirement filed January 3, 2005 was made with or without traverse.

**RESPONSE**

Applicants confirm that their Response did not argue that the restriction requirement was improper, and that the election of Group I (claims 1-22) was made without traverse.

**CONCLUSION**

Based upon the above remarks and further to the Petition to Make Special filed in this matter, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to expeditiously proceed with the examination of the claims pending in this application.

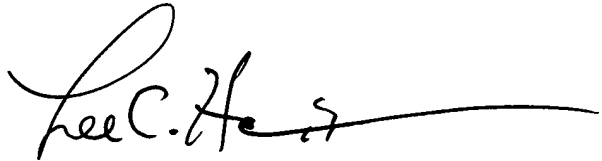
If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this matter, he is welcomed to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number and address listed below.

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